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Lebanon

Following a Cabinet session, Prime Minister Rashid Karami declared in remarks broadcast on Beirut radio that Lebanon is "eager to continue the Al-Naqurah discussions" but it expects Israel to "come forward with the answers" the Lebanese side has requested,and awaits some impetus at the international level to advance the discussions. On the Israeli side, the Inner Cabinet is divided over whether to "reach a speedy decision on a plan of phased withdrawal from Lebanon" or to "exhaust the political deliberations," according to Jerusalem television. In the last Al-Naqurah meeting the Lebanese did not mention accepting UNIFIL deployment south of the Al-Awwali River, and Foreign Minister Yitzhaq Shamir stated that Israel "knows nothing about a change in Lebanon's position on the Al-Naqurah talks," Jerusalem radio reported. However, sources in Jerusalem claim that "Israel will respond positively" to the expected appeal from the UN secretary general to return to the talks, the radio subsequently stated.

On the matter of the security plan, the Internal Security Forces completed their deployment in the Al-Kharrub area, Beirut radio announced. The army is expected to move to Al-Awwali and Tripoli within the next few days, and it is getting ready to carry out the plans for the Damascus road and the Suq al-Gharb front, Karami declared in his remarks after the Cabinet session.

Israel

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz "raised the issue of the plight of Soviet Jews" during his meeting in Geneva with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrey Gromyko, a U.S. envoy informed Shamir, according to Jerusalem radio. On the issue of Israeli aid to Ethiopia, the radio noted that "the Ethiopian Government has agreed to accept Israeli aid" for famine victims. As for the economic situation, Israel's trade deficit dropped by 29 percent last year and imports of consumer goods fell by about one-third, the radio reported.

Egypt

Defense Minister Abu Ghazalah announced that France will supply Egypt with 20 Mirage-2000 fighter bombers this year, making Egypt the first country outside France to receive the fighter bomber, according to AFP.

PLO

Continuing its visit to Moscow, a PLO delegation held discussions on the Middle East crisis at the USSR Foreign Ministry, Algiers Voice of Palestine radio said. Earlier, in talks with a visiting French delegation, Senior Soviet officials affirmed that the USSR now strongly supports the PLO leadership of Executive Committee Chairman Yasir 'Arafat, according to a statement by the French delegation cited by Baghdad Voice of PLO radio.

Iran

Three Iraqi bombers hit several villages in Ilam Province on 8 January but casualty figures are not known, IRNA disclosed. In Tehran, an assassination attempt on three employees of the Education Ministry by U.S. "mercenary agents" left at least one man dead, Tehran radio reported, adding that the assailants fled.

Afghanistan

A strong protest was lodged with the Iranian charge d'affaires in Kabul over alleged firing of weapons and "aggression" from Iran into Afghanistan on 28 December, Kabul radio reported.

Sudan

A large number of "outlaws" were killed during a fierce battle with garrison forces at an Upper Nile camp, an Armed Forces spokesman reported according to SUNA. Meanwhile, thousands of Sudanese are pouring into Libyan border areas to escape the political and social "hell" in their country, JANA stated.

Further Reportage on PDPA Anniversary Functions

MSZMP Delegation Arrives

LD091218 Budapest MTI in English 1045 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Kabul, January 9 (MTI)—A Hungarian party delegation, headed by Sandro Borbely, member of the HSWP Central Committee and national commander of Workers' Guard, arrived in Kabul Wednesday to attend ceremonies held on the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDPA).

The Hungarian delegation was met at the Kabul airport by Mahmud Barialay, alternate member of the PDPA Political Committee and secretary of the Central Committee.

Mohammad Aslam Watanjar, member of the PDPA Political Committee and minister of communications, received the Hungarian delegation Wednesday.

Karmal Meets CPCZ's Beno

LD091719 Prague Domestic Service in Czech and Slovak 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Babrak Karmal, the highest Afghan representative, today in Kabul received Mikulas Beno, secretary of the CPCZ Central Committee, who heads the delegation taking part in the celebrations of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the PDPA. In a cordial and comradely conversation, they exchanged opinions on the present state and possibilities of further development of relations between both fraternal parties. They informed one another about the main tasks of both parties in the current period. Babrak Karmal highly praised the help given by Czechoslovakia, which is a significant support for the people of Afghanistan in their efforts to build the foundations of a new society. In the conversation, Mikulas Beno emphasized that Czechoslovakia will in the future continue to provide support and help to democratic Afghanistan in its struggle to remove the legacy of feudalism, and to achieve further successes on the path of progress and democracy.

Karmal Receives CPSU Delegation

LD091907 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and president of the DRA Revolutionary Council, this morning met in a friendly and comradely atmosphere Inamdzhan Buzrokovich Usmankhodzhayev, first secretary of the Uzbek SSR Communist Party Central Committee, and his accompanying delegation, who came to Kabul at the head of a CPSU delegation to take part in the ceremony marking the 20th anniversary of the PDPA.

At the beginning of this friendly meeting, which took place at the headquarters of the DRA Revolutionary Council, Babrak Karmal welcomed the arrival in Kabul of the delegation of the friendly and fraternal USSR, led by Inamdzhan Buzrukovich Usmankhodzhayev. On behalf of the PDPA Central Committee and of its Politburo, and on behalf of the People of Afghanistan, Babrak Karmal expressed his gratitude to the CPSU, to its Central Committee and its Politburo, and to Konstantin Chernenko, for the arrival of the delegation.

Inamdzhan Buzrukovich Usmankhodzhayev then said: We are honored to take part in the 20th anniversary of the PDPA, together with Afghan comrades and friends.

At the end of this meeting, which took place in a fraternal, sincere, warm, and comradely atmosphere, Usmankhodzhayev presented to Babrak Karmal a gift from CPSU Central Committee, led by K. Chernenko, general secretary of the CPSU Central Committee and chairman of the USSR Supreme Soviet Presidium, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the PDPA, which was accepted with thanks and sincerity.

At this meeting, Mohammad Anwar Farzam, member of the PDPA Central Committee and secretary of the DRA Revolutionary Council Presidium; and Fikryat Akhmedzhanovich Tabeyev, ambassador of the USSR in Kabul, were also present.

Karmal Receives PZPR Group

LD092206 Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1900 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] The PZPR delegation which includes Stanislaw Opalko, member of the PZPR Central Committee Politburo, and which is visiting Kabul for the celebrations of the 20th anniversary of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan, has been received by Babrak Karmal, the leader of Afghanistan. Stanislaw Opalko also handed Babrak Karmal a message from Wojciech Jaruzelski and conveyed his congratulations and best wishes on the anniversary.

Karmal Meets Congress-I Group

LD092224 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1530 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and president of the DRA Revolutionary Council, this morning at Revolutionary Council headquarters received His Excellency Bali Ram Bhagat, secretary of the National Committee of the All-India Congress-I Party and chairman of the party's External Relations Department.

At this meeting Babrak Karmal welcomed the arrival of the Indian National Congress Party delegation to our country to take part in the 20th anniversary of the PDPA; and they spoke with each other on friendly relations between the two countries.

His Excellency Bali Ram Bhagat then expressed appreciation for meeting Babrak Karmal, and conveyed the best wishes of the ruling Congress Party and the Indian people for the 20th anniversary of the PDPA. At the end of this meeting, which took place in an atmosphere of friendly understanding, His Excellency Bali Ram Bhagat presented a gift to Babrak Karmal on behalf of the Indian Congress Party, which was accepted with thanks.

Also present at this friendly meeting were: Mahmud Barialay, candidate member of the Politburo, secretary of the party Central Committee and head of the International Department of the PDPA Central Committee; Mohamamd Anwar Farzam, PDPA Central Committee member and secretary of the DRA Revolutionary Council Presidium; Ambassador J.N. Dixit, and extraordinary representatives of the Republic of India.

Foreign Ministry Protests Iranian 'Aggression'

LD091708 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1557 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] The charge d'affaires of the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran in Kabul was summoned to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at 1130 today. He was handed a relevant department's note dated 30 December 1984 concerning aggression and the firing of assorted weapons from the territory of Iran at 0930, 28 December, 1984, on the Sharshara border post in Herat Province. As a result of this incident, a number of our compatriots were martyred and wounded.

In the note, the provocative action and deliberate disregard by the responsible Iranian border officials, which has no other consequence but the aggravation of relations between the two neighboring countries, has been strongly condemned and is considered contrary to the interests of the people of both countries.

Referring to a series of unfriendly actions by the Iranian authorities concerning mutual relations, a strong protest was lodged. It was demanded that the responsible persons for the aforementioned regrettable aggressive incident be punished and the recurrence of similar incidents be prevented.

The note states in the meantime that the lack of prevention of such aggression would have grave consequences, the responsibility of which will be borne by the relevent authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Diplomatic Relations With Mozambique Established

LD092038 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] The text of the joint communique on the establishment of diplomatic relations between the DRA and the People's Republic of Mozambique:

The Governments of DRA and the People's Republic of Mozambique, desiring to strengthen and broaden the friendly relations and bilateral cooperation on the basis of the principles and norms of the UN; the policy of the Nonaligned Movement; respect for national sovereignty, territorial integrity, and national independence; noninterference in each other's internal affairs; the struggle against imperialism, colonialism and neocolonialism, apartheid, racism — including Zionism — and exploitation, as well as desiring to work for safeguarding peace, progress and social justice in the world, have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at the ambassadorial level between the two countries.

The joint communique regarding the establishment of diplomatic relations between the DRA and the People's Republic of Mozambique was concluded on 18 Jadi 1363, coinciding with 7 Jan 1985, by the ambassadors and permanent representatives of the two countries to the UN, New York.

Accord With Syrian Communist Party Signed

LD092122 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] A cooperation protocol between the PDPA and the Communist Party of Syria was concluded this evening in Kabul.

On behalf of the PDPA, Politburo candidate member and PDPA Central Committee secretary Mahmud Barialay, and (Rume Shokho Farah), member of the Syrian Communist Party Central Committee Politburo, signed the protocol and exchanged documents.

Protocol With Indian CP, Marxist Signed

LD092236 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] A protocol of cooperation between the PDPA and the Indian Communist Party (Marxist) was concluded today in Kabul.

Mahmud Barialay, candidate member of the Politburo and secretary of the PDPA Central Committee, on behalf of the PDPA Central Committee, and E.M.S. Namboodiripad, secretary general of India's Communist Party (Marxist), signed the protocol and exchanged its documents.

Harkishan Singh Surjit, member of the Politburo in charge of the External Relations Department of this party, was also present during the signing.

According to another report, a protocol of cooperation between the PDPA and the Communist Party of India (Marxist) was concluded today in Kabul.

Mahmud Barialay, candidate member of the Politburo and secretary of the PDPA Central Committee; and M.A. Farouqi, member of the Politburo and secretary of the Indian Communist Party (Marxist) Central Committee, signed the protocol and exchanged its documents.

Rebel Attack in Herat Province; 12 Die

LD091737 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Counterrevolution, this sworn enemy of true men, last night once again stained its filthy hands with the blood of a number of our innocent families in the Enjil district, Herat Province. By firing rockets and hand grenades they martyred 12 of our compatriots including men, women, boys, and girls.

A BAKHTAR correspondent from Herat Province reported that the bodies of the martyrs of this sinister and unclean incident were transfered to the Public Health Department of that province this morning. While shedding tears at the charred bodies and burned faces of the victims, the people expressed their indignation and hatred for these savage beasts with one voice.

The bodies of these innocent compatriots, who were martyred as a result of their patriotism and nonsubmission to the satanical desires of bandits infiltrated from abroad, were buried this noon at special ceremonies.

'Defense Groups' Organized in Asadabad
LD091453 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1330 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Nine hundred and ninety-three citizens, comprising youths, peasants, personnel of state departments, and militant women, were organized in 52 security post-revolution defense groups in the capital of Konarha Province to begin defending their departments, land and homes. A spokesman for the justice and defence branch of the Konarha Province Party Committee reported that 354 workers of the (Chawki) and (Sarakni) districts and the Narang subdistrict of Asadabad city volunatrily joined the ranks of the province's revolution defense groups.

Commentary Lauds Party's Foreign Policy
LD091544 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari and Pashto 0735 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Unattributed commentary]

[Summary] The foreign policy of our party and revolutionary state is based on the interests of the noble Afghan working people.

The document of the PDPA Central Committee on the occasion of the 20th founding anniversary of the party concerning its internationalist policy states: The PDPA is a patriotic party, the indicator of national interests, sincerely internationalist, and a firm defender of the tested principles of peaceful coexistence and internationalist solidarity.

The victory of the April revolution in Afghanistan was a result of the will and broad support of the freedom-loving people of the country under the leadership of the PDPA. The noble Afghan workers' strengthening and consolidation of solidarity with all peoples of the world in common struggle on the path of peace, the easing of international tensions, disarmament and elimination of nuclear weapons, the friendship of peoples, freedom, democracy and respect for human rights — all these are among the lofty aims of our party and revolutionary state.

Navy Moves To Protect Fishermen Near Sri Lanka

BK100327 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 10 Jan 85

[Text] An Indian naval ship and coastal guard vessel patrolled the seas off Rameswaram and Pamban to protect Indian fishermen out in their boats in the area. A naval helicopter also made an aerial survey of the seas north and south off Ramesawaram. Meanwhile, Pamban fishermen took out a procession to mourn the death of two of their colleagues.

Jagjivan Ram Appointed Protem House Speaker

BK091625 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] It has been officially announced that Mr Jagjivan Ram, a Congress-J leader, has been appointed the protem speaker of the Lok Sabha. Mr Jagjivan Ram called on the prime minister in New Delhi today.

Akali Dal Legislator Welcomes Punjab Initiative

BK090516 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] A prominent Akali Dal legislator, Mr Majar Singh Obboke, has welcomed the initiative taken by the prime minister in solving the Punjab issue. In a statement in Chandigarh, he said the Sikhs are as patriotic and concerned about the unity and integrity of the country as any other citizens.

The convener of the Akali Dal ad hoc committee, Mr Thekedar, told PRESS TRUST OF INDIA in Amritsar that the government should release all detained Akali leaders so that the prime minister's offer on solving the issue could be discussed.

A joint convention of the Communist Party of India and the Communist Party of India, Marxist-led kisan sabhas [farmers' associations] held in Jullundur has appealed to the Akali leadership to dissociate itself from the extremist forces and create a congenial atmosphere for discussions.

Congress-I Secretary on Hegde Ministry Dismissal

BK091629 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] The Congress-I general secretary, Mr Srikant Verma, has said that Dr Farooq Abdullah's demand for the dismissal of the Shah ministry in Jammu and Kashmir is not logical. He told newsmen in New Delhi today that his party never demanded the dismissal of the Hegde ministry in Karnataka after the Lok Sabha election.

Referring to the Punjab problem, he said during the Lok Sabha election the entire country has given a verdict against the Anandpur Sahib resolution, which is secessionist in nature. There is no need to refer the (?fact) to a high court judge as demanded by the convener of the Akali Dal ad hoc committee, he added.

Interim Report on Abdullah Government in Kashmir

BK100319 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 10 Jan 85

[Text] In Jammu and Kashmir, the Cabinet subcommittee enquiring into the acts of omission and commission by the previous government has submitted its interim report. It says that the government of Dr Farooq Abdullah had ignored its own intelligence reports on activities of antinational and secessionist elements in the state. The report was released by the chairman of the subcommittee and deputy chief minister, Mr Thakur, in Jammu yesterday.

The committee has concluded that Dr Farooq Abdullah's government attitude of almost complete inaction encouraged the antinational elements posing a threat to the security and integrity of the country. The report has also blamed the previous government of several financial and administrative irregularities.

Protest Lodged Over Recent Afghan Violations

BK091544 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Pakistan has strongly condemned the two violations of Pakistani airspace carried out by Afghanistan yesterday and the day before yesterday.

It was officially stated in Islamabad today that three Afghan planes on Monday violated Pakistan's airspace 45 km northeast of Chaman and dropped two bombs, which did not explode. Following this, six Afghan planes again violated Pakistan's airspace yesterday and dropped four bombs 1 km southeast of Arandu in Chitral District. However, no loss of life or property was caused. A protest was lodged with the Kabul administration through the Afghan charge d'affaires; he was warned that the Pakistani Government views these unprovoked violations with great concern.

The Afghan charge d'affaires was told to ask the Kabul authorities to refrain from these acts. Otherwise, the Pakistani Government will be forced to take appropriate steps to protect its security and territorial integrity.

Jordanian Crown Prince Leaves for Amman

BK091632 Karachi Domestic Service in Urdu 1500 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Excerpt] Jordanian Crown Prince Hasan ibn Talal was accorded a very warm send-off when he left Karachi for Amman this evening at the end of his visit to Pakistan.

Sind Governor Lieutenant Governor Jahandad Khan, provincial ministers, the Karachi mayor, councillors, and senior civil and military officials saw him off at the airport.

SRI LANKA

Indian Charge of Killing Fishermen Denied

BK101056 Colombo International Service in English 1030 GMT 10 Jan 85

[Text] Sri Lanka has denied India's charge that the Sri Lankan Navy had killed two Indian fishermen within their territorial waters on Monday. The secretary to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, W.T. Jayasinghe, said that the Navy had never crossed Sri Lanka waters or fired within or outside Sri Lanka waters on Monday, the 7th, as alleged by the Indian Foreign Office. Commenting on a report from Jaffna that the Sri Lanka Air Force had fired at a boat speeding towards the country from the direction of India, Mr Jayasinghe said that there had been no Air Force firing on the date specified by India. He further said that Sri Lanka's position on the Indian allegation had been conveyed to the New Delhi Foreign Office by the acting Sri Lanka high commissioner to India, Alfred David.

Security Forces Kill Tamil Separatist Leader

HK100640 Hong Kong AFP in English 0550 GMT 10 Jan 85

[Text] Colombo, Jan 10 (AFP) — Security forces have killed a senior Tamil separatist leader in a raid on a guerrilla hideout in the strife-torn north, the National Security minister said today.

Lalith Athulathmudali said the leader, identified as Pandipam, was the highest-ranking member of the militant Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) in Sri Lanka.

He was said to be a close associate of LTTE leader Velupillai Pradhakaran who, Mr Athulathmudali said, operated out of southern India.

The minister said that 12 Tamil separatists were killed, 40 captured and an "unprecedented" quantity of arms seized in the raid.

He said the strike had been the most successful yet for the security forces since November 19 when ethnic violence flared anew.

Mr Athulathmudali said that other LTTE leaders were among those captured after the forces swooped on the LTTE's Achchamulai hideout in the Jaffna Peninsula.

"It was the biggest single breakthrough given the quality of the leaders taken and the quantity of weapons captured," he added.

Mr Athulathmudali said the Army operation to root out the militants, who are fighting for an independent homeland for the Tamils in the north and northeast of the country was still underway.

Mr Athulathmudali said the troops hauled in machineguns, grenade launchers, rifles and a vast quantity of ammunition in the raid.

He said the operation had lasted several hours. Three soldiers were wounded in the gunbattle with the separatists.

The minister said a rival terrorist group had tipped off security forces as to the location of the hideout and the LTTE militants had been taken by surprise in a night strike.

Sources said the Army was already moving in on a second suspected hideout and the operation was expected to be completed by late today or tomorrow.

The LTTE has been blamed for several attacks on the Armed Forces and more recently on two civilian farms and two fishing villages in the northern province in which at least 80 persons, mostly Sinhalese, died.

The official death toll in separatist-related violence since November 19 stands at 434.

Cabinet Meeting Discusses Spending Policy

LD091816 Tehran IRNA in English 1811 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Tehran, Jan. 9, IRNA — President 'Ali Khamene'i notified the Oil Ministry on the supply of home heating fuel during a Cabinet meeting today.

The Cabinet also heard reports on the government's spending policies this year, by minister of Finance and Economics, Hoseyn Namazi, director of the Plan and Budget Organisation, Mohammad Taqi Banki, and the head of the Bank Markazi (Central Bank), Mohsen Nurbakhsh.

The officials emphasized on the need to cut down on overall spending for the remaining two months of the year.

In the continuation of the Cabinet meeting, the following were approved:

—The allocation of four billion rials (dlrs. 43 mn) to the Oil Ministry for repair and reconstruction of war-damaged areas;
—The amendment of the articles of association of the law on city lands;
—The allocation of 1.3 billion rials (dlrs. 14 mn) for the Regional Water Department of Sistan-Baluchestan Province;
—The articles of association of the housing complexes of government organisations.

Armed Forces Joint Staff Communique No 1,967

LD091617 Tehran IRNA in English 1540 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Tehran Jan 9 IRNA — Five Iraqi soldiers were killed or wounded in cross-fire in the northwestern fronts Tuesday when Iranian bombardment of Iraqi supply units destroyed six bunkers and two vehicles.

The Joint Staff Command said in its Communique 1967 today that enemy efforts to supply its units were interrupted in the Sar Dasht, Shuman Mustafa, Anar, and Variz regions, while one of its mortar launchers came under direct Iranian hit and was silenced in the Haj'Umran area.

The heaviest fighting in the northwestern front was reported in Sar Dasht.

Meanwhile in the western front, Islamic combatants deployed defensive fire on Iraqi forces, fortifications and patrol units, killing 15 and wounding an unknown number of Iraqi soldiers. They also strengthened their own positions across the area.

In the southern front, sporadic fire between the two sides continued with Iranian forces bombarding enemy supply routes, artillery positions and mortar launchers. Reports indicate that enemy forces suffered casualties here but the number of their dead was not known.

In the vicinity of Abadan war theater, the Gendarmerie forces poured artillery fire on enemy units across the Arvand River and paralyzed their engineering activities. They also destroyed a number of Iraqi weaponry positions and killed and wounded some of their troops. One heavy machinegun and two engineering vehicles were reportedly destroyed in this area.

The city of Abadan was again bombarded by Iraqi forces Tuesday in which six houses were damaged.

Iraqi Planes Strike Villages in Ilam Province

LD091524 Tehran IRNA in English 1510 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Bakhtaran, Bakhtaran Pr., Jan. 9, IRNA — Three Iraqi bombers barraged several villages in the vicinity of the small town of Eynkhosh in Ilam Province Tuesday.

According to reports from the area, some casualties and damages have been inflicted against civilians but there are no precise figures available.

A U.N. fact-finding delegation ended a two-day visit to the southern Khuzestan Province Tuesday after gathering information on a number of Iraqi attacks on villages in the Dasht-e Azadegan region last week, which caused heavy civilian casualties.

Gilan-e Gharb Attacked

GF100540 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0430 GMT 10 Jan 85

[Text] According to a report by the Central News Unit, in a continuation of its crimes, the Zionist-Ba'thist Iraqi regime's aircraft bombed the inhabited areas of Gilan-e Gharb and several villages around it yesterday afternoon. As a result of this cowardly crime, several houses in Gilan-E Gharb and in the villages of Gorgan-e Sofla, Darkud, and Qand Shikan were damaged. Crops and other farm land were damaged.

According to the same report, those injured in this attack by the Saddamist criminals have been transfered to hospitals. So far, accurate figures are unavailable on the martyrs and wounded from this attack on Gilan-e Gharb and surrounding villages.

Volunteers Depart for Iraqi Battlefronts

Zabol, Iranshahr Send Fighters

GF091742 Zahedan Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Excerpts] In connection with the departure of new fighting men in the war of light against darkness, a group of Zabol volunteers left for the war zones today amid a huge rally and send-off. Present at the rally were the Friday imam of Zabol, members of the Revolution Guards Corps, and Muslims.

According to an IRNA correspondent in Iranshahr, a group of volunteers left for the war zones yesterday from that city to inflict the final blow on the body of the tottering Iraqi regime.

More Volunteers Leave

GF091746 Esfahan Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Yesterday 25 fighters against infidelity from Samiran left for the battlefronts amid a warm send-off and public rally; they will fight against Saddam's infidels. A large number of members of the Mobilization organization and Revolution Guards from Kashan Delaram also left yesterday to help the fighters of Islam engaged in war against the infidels. In addition, yesterday afternoon a group of engineers from Kashan left for the battlefronts amid a rally and warm send-off by their families and friends.

Another group from the Islamic fighters of Mobarekeh town left yesterday for the battlefronts amid a warm send-off by the local residents and their family members. A fair size group of volunteers from Eqlid city also left for the battle zones.

Hormuz Island Volunteers Depart

GF091643 Bandar 'Abbas Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] According to reports received from the Central News Unit, in continuation of the departure of the mobilized personnel of the Guards Corps of the Islamic Revolution to the battlefronts of light over darkness, this morning members of the "At Your Service Khomeyni" group of Hormuz Island left for the battlefronts of right over wrong.

Bushehr Fajr Battalion Sent

GF091755 Bushehr Domestic Service in Persian 1330 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] In continuation of the large-scale departures of sacrificing forces of Bushehr to the battlefronts of faith against heresy, this afternoon the Fajr battalion, consisting of mobilized brothers and experts in various trades, left for the battlefields from the Bushehr headquarters of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps.

According to the reports of the Central News Unit, these brothers from the districts of Dashtestan, Tangestan, Bushehr, Kangan Genaveh, and Dayyer left for the battlefronts of light over darkness amid a warm send-off by the Bushehr residents. They left chanting revolutionary slogans.

Iraq Orders Female Students to Battlefronts

LD091639 Tehran IRNA in English 1555 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Ahvaz, Khuzestan Pr., Jan. 9, IRNA — The Iraqi regime ordered girl university students to go to the battlefronts in a bid to fight a shortage of labour force.

Reports reaching here indicate that the Supreme Command Council of Iraq has been discussing the shortage in great details and is concerned with the desertions of Iraqi troops from the front lines.

The command has reportedly called on the Army to take female university students to the war fronts, but the decision has been met with great disapproval of the Iraqi people.

A recent report has said that government security forces had attacked Mosul University and had forced hundreds of students to go to military barracks across the country.

Iraqi Revolutionaries Attack Army Troops

GF091544 Tehran Domestic Service in Bahdinani Kurdish 1530 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] Based on reports from northern Iraq, Muslim Iraqi revolutionaries in Sulaymaniyah attacked a vehicle carrying 10 troops of the Zionist Ba'thist Iraqi regime. As a result of this attack four troops were killed, six were wounded, and the vehicle was completely destroyed.

School Officials Attacked in West Tehran

LD091733 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 9 Jan 85

[Text] During a cowardly assassintion attempt launched by the mercenary agents of global arrogance, three employees of the Education and Training Ministry were either martyred or wounded while carrying out their duties at their work places. According to this report, two armed men went to the office of the director of the Shahid Raja'i primary school in a western district of Tehran yesterday; while asking to be registered, they fired a Colt pistol and wounded school director Mas'ud Zahedi in the stomach and face.

This report indicates that following the first assassination attempt, a caretaker named Safar Zia'i and Hasan Mehman-Dust, deputy director of the school, tried to stop the assailants who were fleeing; however, the mercenaries of arrogance fired at them, seriously wounding both of them. Unfortunately, the deputy director of the school, who had received serious stomach wounds, gained martyrdom in the hospital. The pure body of the martyr Hasan Mehman-Dust was buried after funeral ceremonies amid the enthusiastic presence of the Hezbollahi ummah. The funeral ceremony began from the building of Shahid Raja'i school.

Soviet, Karmal Forces Attack Golran Hamlet

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[Text] The joint occupation and Karmal regime forces in Afghanistan, seeking to confront the growing attacks by Afghan Muslim revolutionaries in that country, martyred dozens of people as a result of an attack on two hamlets. According to an IRNA report, following the recent attack launched by forces of the Soviet Army and the Karmal forces on the hamlet of Golran, at least 27 Muslims in that hamlet were martyred. The report also says: Fighter aircraft of the Karmal army recently bombed the Pol-e Qandahar region in Lowgar Province, and as a result 38 Muslims residing in that region were martyred.

This has taken place at a time when, following the increasing attacks by the Afghan Muslim revolutionaries against the positions of the occupation forces and of the government forces in Afghanistan, whereby heavy casualties have been inflicted on these forces, the USSR dispatched thousands of fresh forces to that country.

Clandestine Condemns Regime's Anti-Afghan Policy

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[Unattributed commentary: "The Iranian People Condemn the Islamic Regime's Anti-Afghan Policy"]

[Text] Dear compatriots: In the record of the black deeds of the Islamic regime, which expose it as the implementor of U.S. imperialism's terrorist policy, overt hostility toward democratic Afghanistan enjoys a special status. The Islamic regime participates actively in the united front of imperialism and regional reaction, and in the undeclared war against democratic Afghanistan. From this viewpoint, too, it is disgracing itself before world public opinion as an interventionist and aggressive regime, and as the accomplice of America. This is occurring amid conditions in which the revolutionary, popular, and anti-imperialist Afghan Government, in view of its respect for the free Iranian people, has so far refrained from taking the slightest measure against Iran.

After the shah's oppressive regime was expelled from our country, the democratic Afghan Government was one of the first countries to recognize the new government as a mark of respect for the Iranian people's popular, antidespotic, and anti-imperialist revolution. By expressing solidarity with the antishah and anti-imperialist revolution in our homeland, it expressed its readiness to develop and expand neighborly relations, friendship, and amity with the Iranian people and government. But the Islamic government's reactionary rulers, who had cunningly seized power, from the very outset adopted a hostile policy toward democratic Afghanistan. This hostility is continuing.

A book published in Kabul about the DRA's foreign policy and international relations had the following to say about the policy of the Islamic Republic's rulers toward Afghanistan: The policy of Iran's present leadership toward revolutionary Afghanistan is not just hostile, it is overtly aggressive. Iran's leaders have proclaimed that they intend to export the so-called Islamic Revolution to Afghanistan, and establish the so-called Islamic Republic of Afghanistan based on Iran's model.

As we are aware, in order to implement this vain hope, the superstitious Islamic leaders provide all-out support to the fugitive and expelled Afghan counterrevolutionaries, and have turned Iran into a base for armed intervention in Afghanistan's internal affairs, and a center for the training of counterrevolutionary bands. The Islamic rulers organize armed plots and conspiracies in the border areas of Iran and Afghanistan, and train subversive, terrorist, and murdering bands as well as spies in special camps in Qom, Mashhad, Zabol, and other places, and then dispatches them to Afghanistan to conduct subversion and terror.

The hostile stance of the Islamic rulers toward democratic Afghanistan can be observed in their inhuman attitude toward Afghan refugees who came to Iran from Afghanistan in search of work and bread during the shah's regime, and who now want to return to their homeland. They use various methods to torture Afghans who wish to return to the land of their ancestors, and at best they send them not to Afghanistan but to the war front or to Pakistan. Thus, the government of Islamic justice ruling in Iran maintains an attitude toward innocent and Muslim Afghans that exposes it as an antihuman element.

Yes, under the pretext of exporting the Islamic Revolution to democratic Afghanistan, Iran's Islamic regime is implementing the very policy of U.S. imperialism regarding that country — a policy condemned by progressive mankind, particularly by our homeland's people. The Iranian people laud the revolutionary gains of the fraternal Afghan people, and support and back their just struggles against imperialism, regional reaction, and internal counterrevolution.

Our homeland's people caution the Islamic government's superstitious authorities against interference in the affairs of democratic Afghanistan, and against support for expelled Afghan counterrevolutionary bands. They support the proposal of the DRA Government for a peaceful resolution of all issues in dispute, and the maintenance of neighborly relations and normal ties between the two countries.

Clandestine: Prison Executions Begin Again

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[Text] The execution of political prisoners in various prisons of the Tehran regime and in the provinces has begun again. Reports received from the capital say that 65 prisoners were executed last week in 3 prisons: the Evin prison of Tehran, the 'Adilabad prison of Shiraz, and the Kantin prison of Ahvaz. Most of the sacrifices of the blood-thirsty Khomeyni and his colleagues were between 21 and 28 years old.

On the basis of this report, a prisoner in Ahvaz by the name of Mohammad Hashimpur, before he was executed by firing squad, committed suicide by cutting his wrists. He was taken to the cemetary.

Another group of 16 prisoners in Evin Prison, who had gone on a hunger strike protesting the quality and quantity of food and ill treatment, were all put before a firing squad.

Some political prisoners are kept on a small uninhabited island in the Persian Gulf in the company of prisoners who are addicts. Eleven of them who tried to escape were shot dead by the guards; their bodies were carried away by the waters of the Persian Gulf.

Seven prisoners in the 'Adilabad prison of Shiraz declined to answer foolish questions from the interrogators the day they expected to meet their relatives. They were later shot dead by the prison guards in the presence of their relatives.